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SUBJECT: TEXTILES

1. REPS OF STR, STATE AND COMMERCE MET WITH DINA DELALLE
(REPRESENTATIVE OF COSTA RICAN EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION) AT
HER REQUEST MARCH 31, TO DISCUSS US IMPORTS OF BRASSIERES
FROM COSTA RICA. SHE STATED THAT ORDERS FOR AND PRODUCTION
OF BRAS WERE DOWN FROM 1977 AND THAT COSTA RICAN 1978
SHIPMENTS TO US WOULD THEREFORE ALSO BE BELOW LAST YEAR'S
LEVEL. WITH RESPECT TO PRODUCTION, SHE REPORTED THAT
POTENTIAL 25 PERCENT INCREASE WHICH HAD BEEN MENTIONED
BY CR INDUSTRY WOULD BE POSSIBLE ONLY OVER PERIOD OF FIVE
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YEARS; ACCORDING TO DELALLE, LOVEABLE PLANT IS OPERATING
EFFICIENTLY AND NEAR CAPACITY (ALTHOUGH ORDERS ARE DOWN),
BUT WARNER PLANT IS OPERATING AT SOMEWHAT LESS THAN FULL
CAPACITY AND BALI PLANT (PRESENTLY HOUSED IN A SCHOOL
BUILDING) IS BARELY GETTING STARTED AND HAVING OPERATING
PROBLEMS.

2. DELALLE EXPRESSED HER PERSONAL OPPOSITION TO "VOLUNTARY RESTRAINT AGREEMENT" AND STATED SHE WOULD STRONGLY ADVISE INCOMING PRESIDENT (WHO SHE CLAIMS IS A PERSONAL FRIEND)

AGAINST ANY NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO A FORMAL AGREEMENT. SHE INDICATED AN INTEREST, HOWEVER, IN EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY THAT FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO, WHO WILL BE VISITING WASHINGTON IN MID-APRIL, COULD SIGN A LETTER TO USG CONTAINING SOME FORM OF COMMITMENT REGARDING COSTA RICAN EXPORTS OF BRAS TO US DURING 1978 AND BEYOND.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT DELALLE MAY BE WELL CONNECTED WITH GOCR ON SOME ISSUES (A POINT SHE HAS NO RETICENCE IN EXPOUNDING UPON). AT THE SAME TIME SHE IS NOT A GOCR OFFICIAL AND APPARENTLY HAS PERSONAL INTERESTS IN TEXTILE OPERATIONS. WE WOULD NOT BE AVERSE TO EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF A COMMITMENT BY LETTER IF IT CONTAINS THE ELEMENTS WE NEED. HOWEVER, LINKING IT TO THE FACIO VISIT COULD RAISE THE ISSUE TO AN UNNECESSARILY HIGH LEVEL AND WE DO NOT WISH TO APPEAR TO BE BY-PASSING NORMAL GOCR CHANNELS. EMBASSY COMMENTS ON DELALLE APPROACH WOULD BE WELCOME. WE LEAVE TO EMBASSY DISCRETION WHETHER OR NOT TO DISCUSS WITH GOCR HER APPROACH TO USG AND OFFER TO HELP RESOLVE ISSUE. CHRISTOPHER

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